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15 FAM 510 SCOPE AND GENERAL POLICY 15 FAM 520 METHODS OF DISPOSAL AND PROCESSING OF PROCEEDS 15 FAM 530 PROCEDURES FOR DISPOSAL OF REAL PROPERTY

Changes

1. OBO has revised 15 FAM 500, Real Property Disposal Abroad, to comply with OMB's A-11 standards for leases. These changes are from an OIG report titled, "Audit of U.S. Department of State Use of Short-Term Leases Overseas." The terms, Operating Lease and Capital Lease, have replaced Short-Term Lease and Long-Term Lease in the FAM. In addition, there are plain-language changes and other edits throughout. These changes are in all of the subchapters listed above.
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